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WORLD BANK ASSISTANCE FOR AIDS CONTROL PROGRAMME
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Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

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(a) The details of the financial assistance, showing grants and credit serarately provided by the World Bank for implementing National AIDS Control Programme during the Ninth and Tenth Five Year Plans;

(b) The details of terms and conditions, if any, from the Bank in this regard;

(c) the details of funds actually utilised so far;

(d) the details of items under the programme allowed to be funded including those to receive priority focus;

(e) the present State-wise status of implementation of the programme; and

(f) the target fixed , if any , for modernization of blood banks including setting up of blood testing centres?

Answer

The minister of state in the ministry of health & family welfare (smt. panabaka lakshmi)

(a) to (d): The details of Financial Assistance provided by World Bank as soft loan for implementing National AIDS Control Programme(NACP) during Ninth and Tenth Five Year Plan are indicated below.

National AIDS Control Programme Phase-I (1992-1997) extended till 31st March, 1999. An amount of US $ 84 million (Rs.325 crore) was mobilized and spent during NACP-Phase-I.

The National AIDS Control Programme Phase-II (1999-2004) extended till 31st March, 2006. The total cost of the project (1999-2004) is Rs. 1155 crores. Of this Rs.959 crores is reimbursable from World Bank as a credit and balance Rs. 196 Crores is the Domestic Budgetary Support from the Government of India. Already Rs.800.06 crores has been spent,

The objectives of NACP-I and II was to slow the spread of HIV in India, so as to reduce possible future morbidity, mortality and socio economic impact associated with AIDS. Major items are:

Targeted Intervention amongst groups with highest risk behaviour (Sex Worker, Injecting Drug Users, Truck Drivers) and broadening the approach to Multi -Sectoral one;
Strengthening the Management Capacity for HIV Control;
Promoting Public awareness and condom promotion in general population;
Improving Blood Safety and rational use;
Building surveillance and clinical management capacity;
Controlling sexually transmitted diseases; and
Low cost AIDS care and Institutional Strengthening.

(e) HIV/AIDS awareness activities and condom promotion are done in all the states/UTs. The treatment of Opportunistic infections and post exposure prophylaxis are being provided through all the government medical colleges and district hospitals. Facility for Voluntary Counseling & Testing, treatment of STI/RTI and blood banks are available in most of the districts in all the states. The state-wise estimated prevalence of HIV is given at Annexure-I and state-wise physical infrastructure providing services is given at Annexure-II.

(f) Under the NACP projects 255 blood banks were modernized, 683 District Level Blood Banks and 82 Blood Component Separation Units established. Also 10 State-of-the-art Model Blood Banks are being established in the underserved states of which 7 have been made operational. Further, it has been planned to modernize additional 200 Blood Banks in the country.